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The President Will Stand Pat.

A highly important interview is that with Congressman Townsend, one of the authors of the Esch-Townsend bill to regulate railroads. The bill was passed in the house at the last session, but was sidetracked in the senate, which has instructed its committee on interstate commerce to take testimony on the subject. A majority of the committee is believed to be favorable to the railway view of the subject, and its report will be an interesting feature of the coming session.

Mr. Townsend says that President Roosevelt intends to "stand pat" in insisting that congress shall confer on the interstate commerce commission power to fix rates, upon complaint being made, and to put such corrected rates in to effect, leaving to the railways the right of appeal to the courts, but giving to the shipper the benefit of the altered rates until the court renders its decision. Mr. Townsend says that his announcement follows a personal interview with the president in which Mr. Roosevelt said that there has been no change in his opinion since he delivered his speech at the banquet given to him in this city.

Meanwhile the joint literary bureau of the railways continues to flood the country with circulars pointing out that dire disaster will overtake the commission. They seek to enlist the support of the savings banks in the New England states by pointing out that considerably more than \$1,000,000 worth of railway stocks and bonds is held by savings banks and insurance companies. They seek to stir the farmers of the Middle West to opposition to rate regulation by asserting that under government regulations there must be a fixed scale of freight charges based solely on the distance over which goods are transported, and that the farmers of Illinois and Iowa and Kansas and Nebraska will be unable to compete with the farmer of New England, because the freight rate on his products will be so high as to shut him out of the Eastern market and prevent him from shipping his wheat to Europe. In every section these masters of the art of manipulation put forward the argument which they believe will be influential with the people of that section. They predict all kinds of misfortune from this "experiment."

But this is not an experiment. It is, in fact, nothing more than the authoritative reestablishment of a law which was in force for a long time after the interstate commerce commission was created. The belief of congress and of the people was that the law which established the commission conferred upon it the power to fix rates, and the commission actually did for years, until the supreme court decided that the law did not specifically give to it that power, but only empowered it to say that a rate was too high. The present effort is to restore to the law what was supposed to be in it when it was passed; to give to the commission again an authority which it exercised for years without causing any disturbance to policyholders or calamities to savings banks or ruin to western farmers, or any of the other dreadful things which the railways are afraid of.

In connection with this subject the testimony recently given by President Stickney of the Chicago Great Western railway is worth

nothing. Mr. Stickney was on the witness stand before Judge Bethia of the United States court in Chicago in a case brought against his railway by the interstate commission. He insisted that freight tariffs, instead of being scientifically and systematically computed, were nothing but guesses. He said of the schedule compilers: "They guess that if one rate is so much, another rate, in order to be reliable, should be about so much. If engineers who build railways should guess at the elevations of the grade at various stations as the freight agents guess at the elevations of the rates at the same stations it would be as impossible to run trains over the roads as it is now to run the freight business on tariff rates."

After this light has been cast up on the methods of compiling freight tariffs, and this revelation of the disregard in which they are held by the railway officials has been made, who will say that there is not need of government supervision over the rates to prevent injustice and imposition on one hand and favoritism on the other?

"Found a Baby"

A farmer driving to Morris Wednesday discovered a baby tied in a bundle of rags hanging to a barb wire fence along the roadside. He took the baby, which was but a few hours old, with him to Morris where it was cared for—Muskogee Democrat.

Now how does this strike you? We have heard of the Oklahoma watermelon that grew on a hillside along Cobb's creek and that when accidentally kicked by a mule run out so much water that it drowned all the ducks on the place; of the pumpkin that grew so large that it crowded the owner's shanty over on his neighbor's farm; of the lightning bug that succumbed to nervous prostration because it had to do duty both night and day in the dense growth of the corn fields; of the thousand-barrel oil gusher made by pulling a garden beet out of its place of growth in a neighboring vicinity; and of the ground vine that outran a railroad train for a day and a night and was only stopped by Governor Ferguson's quarantine line; but we were hardly prepared to believe that even in our fair land of limitless possibilities babies would grow on barb wire fences. We needed, however, doubting nothing. —Carnegie Herald.

An extract from circular letter No. 2, from Supt. Hiram Hadley, of the Territory of New Mexico: "I have great sympathy with you in one difficulty that most of you encounter. I refer to irregularity of attendance. When pupils attend irregularly teachers cannot do good work. It is not just to expect them to."

The above is addressed to the teachers of New Mexico. It is true, and one of the greatest hindrances that Clayton Public school has to contend with at the present time, though great improvement over attendance of previous year is being made the present term.

Patrons, by your continued cooperation in this line, we hope, finally to be able to overcome this evil.

F. P. CARNER,
Principal.

The Campbell System Farming Association.

DENVER, COLORADO.

Please publish the following: The Campbell System Farming Association will hold its next meeting at the Denver Chamber of Commerce, Friday October 20th. The first session will be held at 10 a. m. The afternoon session will be held at 2 p. m. Mr. Campbell will lecture at the Chamber of Commerce in the afternoon. Thirty minutes of his time will be given to answering questions that the audience will be asked to submit. These questions may be dropped in a box during the day

so no one need be embarrassed by asking questions in public that he might think trivial.

The following speakers will be on the program: Mr. H. W. Campbell of Lincoln, the man after whom the "System" is named; Prof. W. H. Olin of the State Agricultural College at Ft. Collins; Prof. Aven Nelson, State University at Laramie Wyoming; Congressman Robert W. Boyington.

Several farmers who have been successful with the Campbell System will speak.

A plan to incorporate the Association will be submitted at the business session; all interested in this movement should be present.

Bring any samples you may have in your possession of crops grown this year without irrigation, especially grasses and cereals.

Membership fee at present is one dollar and should be mailed to Stanley E. Wilnot, 749 18th St., Denver, before the 20th.

The general sessions are open to the public.

Campbell System Farming Association.

By J. L. Donahue, Pres.
Stanley E. Wilnot, Sec'y.

Robert Dennis, the four year old Quinlet of Guymon, Okla., came into our sanctum this week accompanied by his worthy father, Hon. R. B. Quinn of the Guymon Herald, both clad in a well-excellent half-tone. The age of the father of this Quinlet is declared to be "38 next Spring" and we all hope this declaration to be all right, and to indulge the hope that the old man's step may be as elastic and springy next Spring as it was 49 Springs ago, when our acquaintance with him was in its Springtime. Have you "got wise" to the old age game, Dick?

The Hon. B. S. Reedy is being prominently mentioned for governor of New Mexico. If he should be appointed the people would certainly secure one of the "finest flowers" of the republican party.

Miss Maudie Thomas, editor of the Beaver Herald, returned from a three month's vacation, spent in Missouri and Michigan, a week or so ago. She gives mention of things seen and learned on her trip, in last issue of the Herald.

When President McCall, of the New York Life insurance company declared that those in his business really trembled at the approach of a session of the legislature, he was making an appeal for sympathy, but most people who have closely followed the course of the investigation in New York, says the San Francisco Chronicle, will be apt to look at the matter in a different way and that if there was not so much downright rascality there would be fewer temptations to venal legislators to introduce cinch bills. Men who work honestly are never the victims of such legislation. —Albuquerque Citizen.

A saloon keeper says, "Do you want to know how I happened to go into the saloon business? Well I'll tell you. One day a man came in and wanted to look at some cheap socks. I showed him some that were 10 cts a pair. He asked me if I didn't have something cheaper. I got down some that were 5 cts a pair. He looked at them some time and finally insisted that they were to expensive and walked out. I happened to step to the door and see him go into a saloon, and I followed him out of curiosity. There were several persons in the saloon and the man called them up and treated. He spent 80 cents for booze, I coincided that when a man kicked on buying socks at five cents a pair and immediately spent 80 cts for booze that saloon business, was the business. I wanted to engage in so I got into it as soon as possible." —Western Publisher.

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